



# Population Health Webinar

## September 24, 2019





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## Join us for the 2019 Statewide Trauma Symposium!

- Each year trauma leaders and practitioners from all over Kansas come together to discuss system issues, experience case studies, and learn the latest best practices in trauma care.
- **Lunch is provided.**
- **Register online at [CloudCME](https://www.cloudcme.com)**

October 9, 2019 | Wichita, KS

## Regional Trauma Council & Advisory Committee on Trauma Statewide Symposium

### Learning Objectives

After attending this event, participants will have a better understanding of:



Better understand  
how to approach  
the transfer of  
DNR patients



How military  
trauma practices  
can improve a  
civilian system



How to navigate  
the performance  
improvement  
process for  
pediatric transfers



Experience the  
Trauma  
continuum  
through a  
Case Study



Follow geriatric  
falls from  
injury prevention to  
rehabilitation

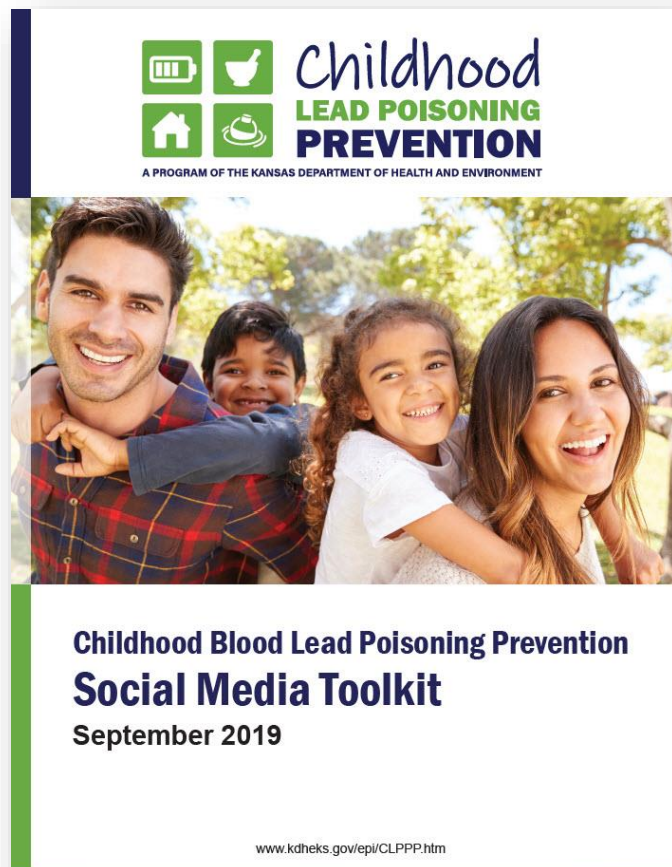


For more information, visit [www.kstrauma.org](http://www.kstrauma.org).



# Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program

## Social Media Toolkit



- Created to promote childhood blood lead testing and awareness on social media.
- National Lead Poison Prevention Week is October 20-26, 2019.
- Toolkit provides links to other resources and has attached documents that can be utilized for further information.
- Download the toolkit from:  
<https://keap.kdhe.state.ks.us/Ephtm/PortalPages/ContentData?CID=3>



## October Visits

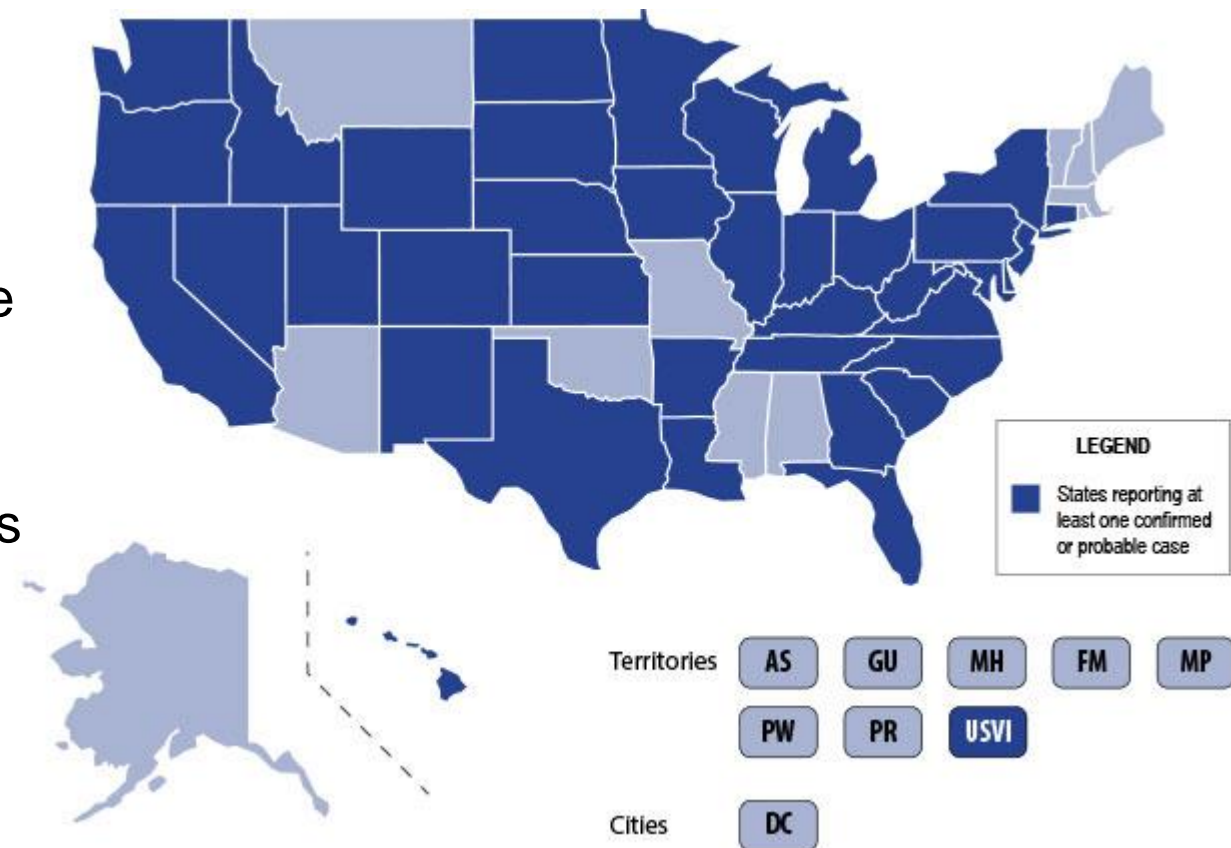
- SE – October 10 – Chanute @ Municipal Auditorium Alliance Room - 101 S Lincoln Street
- NE – October 24 – Topeka @ Shawnee County Health Department; 2600 SW East Circle Drive
- Lisa Williams and Brandi Market will present:
  - Overview of second year of survey
  - Prospects for regional Statistics
  - Survey promotion activities with Local Health Departments
  - Future survey plans





# Multistate Investigation of Severe Pulmonary Disease Among Persons Who Use E-Cigarettes

- As of September 17, 530 cases of lung injury associated with the use of e-cigarettes or vaping projects have been reported in 38 states and 1 US territory
- In the US 72% of cases are male and 67% are under 35 year of age
- Eight deaths have been confirmed in six states
- In Kansas, 9 cases have been reported and two deaths
- Report any suspected cases to 877-427-7317





# Cluster of Cases of Pneumonia in Brown County

- KDHE is investigating cluster of pneumonia and pneumonia-like illnesses in Brown County
- Extensive testing being conducted by KHEL and CDC
  - *Mycoplasma pneumoniae*
  - Rhinovirus
- Recommendations for prevention and control
  - Stay home while sick with fever or severe cough
  - Seek care if cough is prolonged or worsens
  - Practice good hand hygiene and avoid ill persons



# Back to School Reminders

- The following illnesses are **reportable** and often affect school-aged children:
  - Pertussis
  - Varicella (chickenpox)
  - Measles
  - Mumps
- Conditions that are **not reportable** but also affect schools:
  - Staphylococcal infections
  - Head lice
  - Streptococcal infections
  - Influenza (outbreaks reportable)



# Staphylococcal Infections – **Not reportable**

- *S. aureus*, MRSA, impetigo
- Individual cases are not reportable
- Outbreaks are reportable
  - 2 or more cases epidemiologically linked



Weeping MRSA wound



# Lice – **Not reportable**

- Persons with lice are no longer required to be excluded from school
- Not recommended to **require children to be nit free before returning to school**



<https://schoolnursenet.nasn.org/blogs/nasn-profile/2017/03/13/head-lice-management-in-the-school-setting>



# Streptococcal Infections – **Not Reportable**

(e.g., scarlet fever, strep throat)

- Individual cases are **not reportable**; however cases required to be isolated:
  - **24 hours** after initiation of treatment for persons who receive antimicrobial therapy
  - **10 days** after onset of symptoms for persons who **do not** receive antimicrobial therapy




Scarlet fever



Streptococcal sore throat



- **Outbreaks** in schools **reportable**
    - Large (e.g. 35-50% absenteeism due to influenza)
    - Closing school due to influenza
  - Technical assistance 24/7 
    - Notification
    - Prevention
    - Testing to confirm influenza
- Epi Hotline**  
**1-877-427-7317**



# Antibiotic Prescribing and Use

Mark your calendars!



**BE  
ANTIBIOTICS  
AWARE**

SMART USE, BEST CARE

**U.S. ANTIBIOTIC  
AWARENESS WEEK**

**November 18–24, 2019**

[www.cdc.gov/antibiotic-use](http://www.cdc.gov/antibiotic-use)

- Messaging and resources available at: [www.cdc.gov/antibiotic-use/week/toolkit.html](http://www.cdc.gov/antibiotic-use/week/toolkit.html)
- Email [kdhe.epihotline@ks.gov](mailto:kdhe.epihotline@ks.gov) for Kansas specific resources and materials



**Thank you/Questions**

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# Lacey Kennett Preparedness Program



## PHEP Work Plan and Contract Compliance

- **Quarter 1** (July 1 - September 30) reports are due **October 15**.
  - This is a hard deadline. Submissions after October 15 **will not** be reimbursed.
- Submit an FSR quarterly, even if there are no items and/or services for which you are seeking reimbursement.
- Affidavit Submission Guidelines – submit affidavit and supporting documentation in KGMS due by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the following month
- Send reports and questions to: [KDHE.Preparedness@ks.gov](mailto:KDHE.Preparedness@ks.gov)



## Exercises

- All exercises should:
  - involve the whole community approach to preparedness
  - consider the access and functional needs of at-risk individuals
  - ensure the use of volunteers
- BP Capabilities required:
  - Capability 2: Function 1
  - Capability 3: Functions 3 & 4
  - Capability 4: Function 5
  - Capability 10: Function 3

**All exercises should include participation from:**

- HCCs
- Hospitals
- Public health departments
- Emergency management agencies
- EMS
- Public health jurisdictions



## Statewide Full Scale Exercise

Date: April 14 – 17, 2020

Who: All Local Health Departments, CRIs, HCCs and KDHE



*Spring 2020 Full Scale Exercise*

### Important Information:

- Incorporates all PHEP, HPP and CRI requirements for BP1.
- Exercises for BP 1 must test the capabilities detailed in the work plan. These capabilities will be included in the full-scale exercise.
- Each local health department may customize the exercise objectives for their jurisdiction based on previous gaps and plans.
- A guidance document will be released in the coming weeks to help you with “next steps” for conducting the full-scale exercise in your jurisdiction.



## Upcoming Trainings

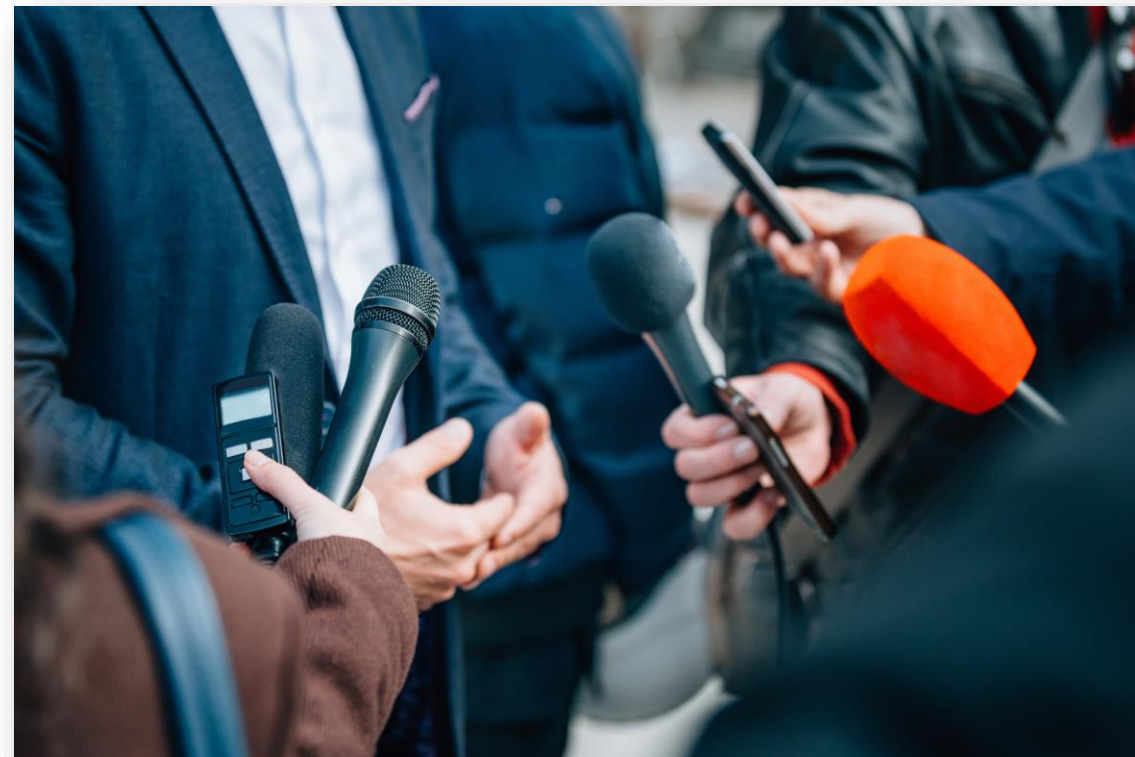


- **New LHD Administrators Training Plan - #4137** – This training provides a good program overview of the Preparedness Program
- **KDHE: Quarantine and Isolation Laws for the Kansas Public Health Professional (#1086409)** – course was recently updated by the State Epidemiologist
- BP1 webinar and trainings are bundled under training plan #3942.



## Upcoming Trainings

- **Oct. 9, 2019 – IMATS Training**  
This training will provide an informal introduction to the IMATS system and will cover basic processes such as logging in, entering facilities and viewing reports. This meets work plan requirement #7. This will be the only live recording, but the recording will be made available after the training.
- **Nov. 7, 2019 & Feb. 4, 2020 – Message Mapping Training**  
Dr. Vincent T. Covello, PhD, MA, Director, Center for Risk Communication will provide science-based strategies and tools for LHDs to communicate more effectively in emergency situations. The focus will be on emergency communication best practices for media notification, message development, and plans to disseminate information during disasters.







## Upcoming Trainings

### Security Activities for MCM Dispensing

**Overview:** During an infectious disease emergency, law enforcement has a crucial role in the assessment of potential threats and vulnerabilities of locations, maintaining security, managing traffic flow, and the flow of persons through dispensing lines. The purpose of this course is to increase the readiness of the law enforcement community for an infectious disease emergency

**Target Audience:** Kansas law enforcement officers and local public health personnel at the municipal, county and state level

***\*Please share with anyone who might benefit from this training.***



## Disaster Preparedness for the Pediatric Patient

**Overview:** Pre-hospital and hospital professionals in non-pediatric facilities may not be trained in dealing with an influx of pediatric patients. This training will discuss current pediatric trauma management guidelines and identify opportunities for improvement in organizations and community teams.

**Target Audience\*:** Physicians, advanced practice providers, nurses, pre-hospital emergency personnel, hospital administrators, emergency/disaster planners and others involved in the management of disasters.



**Featured Presenter:**  
**Dennis Cooley, M.D.**

*\*Some Continuing Education credits available.*

### Training Dates:

**Oct. 15, 2019 – Colby**

**Oct. 16, 2019 – Dodge City**

**Nov. 13, 2019 – Paola**

**Jan. 21, 2020 – Hoisington**

**Feb. 13, 2020 – Pittsburg**

**Feb. 18, 2020 – Lawrence**

**Feb. 26, 2020 – Manhattan**

**March 3, 2020 – Topeka**

**Register online at:**  
**[www.eeds.com/live/887417](http://www.eeds.com/live/887417)**



## Looking Forward

- **Site Visit** – went very well; Locals & KDHE are making progress
- **Compliance Officer** – to be hired soon. Edward Bell, HCC Program Manager, will continue to assist on compliance until hiring is completed.
- **2020-2021 Work Plans** – small, medium, and large work plans will be developed next year to be reflective of the different sized counties statewide. The KALHD/KDHE team will develop these.
- **Annual Plan of Action** – The Regional PHEP work plan does not have an Annual Plan of Action this year.



## Fred Updates



**Left:** Fred was on hand at the Kansas State Fair on Monday, Sept. 9 for Preparedness Day. This is Fred's busiest day of the year, and he saw nearly 1,000 different people and helped educate hundreds of children and families on Preparedness topics.

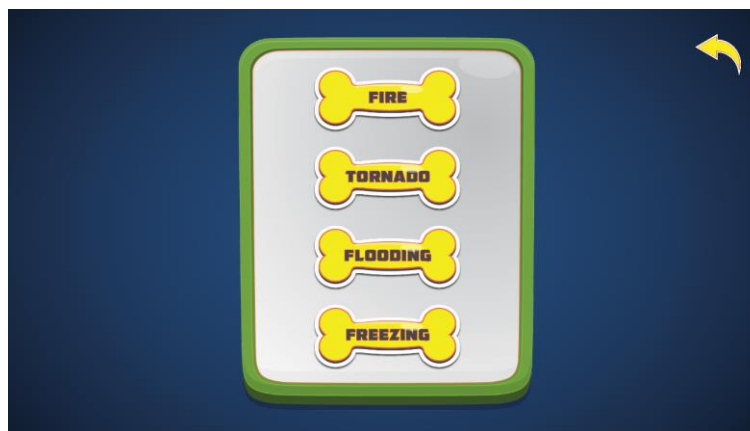
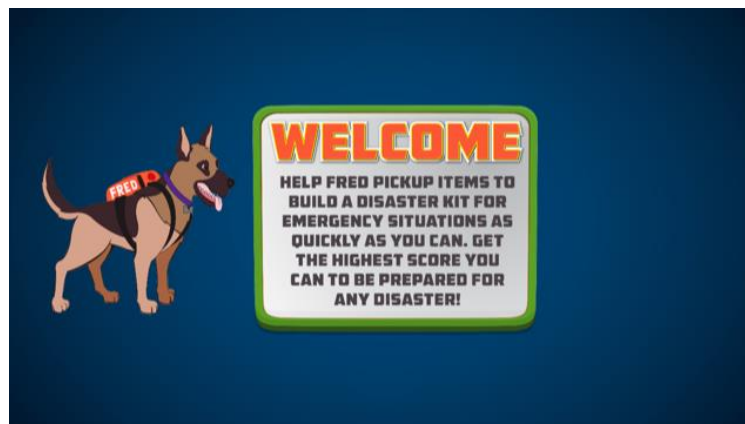
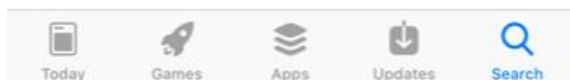
**Upper right:** Fred visited the Capitol Midweek Farmers Market on Wednesday, Sept. 18, to discuss Preparedness month and to announce the launch of his new mobile app.

**Lower right:** On Thursday, Sept. 12, Governor Laura Kelly signed a proclamation declaring September as National Preparedness Month in Kansas.



# Preparedness Program Update

## Fred Builds A Disaster Kit App



Download the new app in the Apple and Android app stores now!



# Preparedness Program Update

## KDHE Haunted Laboratories



KHEL is hosting a Haunted Lab!  
Bring your family out to KHEL for a  
spooky time featuring:

Food Truck  
Blood Drive  
Children's Activities  
Informational Booths  
And much more!

**Friday, October 25**  
**3:30 – 7 p.m.**  
**6810 SE Dwight St.**  
**Topeka, KS 66620**

*Across from the Museum of the  
Kansas National Guard*



## Thank you/Questions

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**Philip Harris, MA, CHES®**  
**Bureau of Health Promotion**



## New Staff:

- Mende Barnett, Community Health Promotion Section Director  
Replaces Jenny (Church) Kramer
- Philip Harris, Communications Coordinator is on personal leave.  
Contact Halee Stevens | [Halee.Stevens@ks.gov](mailto:Halee.Stevens@ks.gov) with any questions
- *New* [Creative Placemaking 101](#) resource is available.  
Contact Warren Hays | [Warren.Hays@ks.gov](mailto:Warren.Hays@ks.gov) with any questions



## New Staff:

- Marlee Johnson | Heart Disease Program Manager

## News:

Lauren Lauridsen and Mengyi Li are presenting at KPHA today!



## Suicide Prevention Messages



### If I am a teen, I can...

- **Encourage my friends** that getting help for life's ups and downs is the ok thing to do.
- **Ask my friends** the Columbia Suicide Severity Rating Scale questions: <http://cssrs.columbia.edu/wp-content/uploads/Community-Card-Teens-2018c.pdf>.
- **Share stories** about times getting help has worked.
- **Talk to my doctor** during my annual well-visit.
- **Break the stigma** by encouraging discussion of mental wellness.
- **Call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline** at 1-800-273-8255 when I am worried about myself or a friend.
- **Host a National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Ending the Silence** for Students presentation: <https://www.nami.org/Find-Support/NAMI-Programs/NAMI-Ending-the-Silence>.
- **Be an example of kindness** and connection to those around me.



### If I am a school employee, I can...

- **Be willing to listen** without judgment.
- **Download the Columbia Suicide Severity Rating Scale** screener tool and champion protocol changes for successful implementation within my school or district: <http://cssrs.columbia.edu/the-scale-in-action/schools/>.
- **Use my Communities that Care data** to guide decisions about how to implement prevention initiatives: <http://kctcddata.org/>.
- **Promote the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline** (1-800-273-8255) in consistent ways throughout the school year such as printing the number on student ID cards.
- **Social emotional learning initiatives** that focus on building social skills especially problem-solving skills are effective upstream efforts to reduce suicide and other risky behaviors in students.
- **Implement evidence-based screening** for depression and suicide for the entire student body. Depression is treatable, and suicide is preventable! Early identification and referral to treatment will support students who are experiencing higher risks for suicide.
- **Participate in the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Provider Education Program** or the Ending the Silence for School Staff presentation: <https://namikansas.org/programs/for-professionals/>.



### If I am a parent, I can...

- **Be willing to listen** without judgment.
- **Be the one to help my child** seek mental and physical health care when needed.
- **Download the Columbia Suicide Severity Rating Scale** parent screener tool to know which questions to ask: <http://cssrs.columbia.edu/wp-content/uploads/Community-Card-Parents-2018c.pdf>.
- **Store my firearms and prescription/over the counter medications safely at home** to reduce the likelihood they will be used in a suicide crisis.
- **Take the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Basics, Family to Family, or Ending the Silence for Families training:** <https://namikansas.org/programs/family/>.



### If I am a community member, I can...

- **Be willing to listen** without judgment.
- **Make resources** for safe storage or disposal of means for suicide available (e.g. trigger locks, prescription take back initiatives).
- **Download the Columbia Suicide Severity Rating Scale** screener tool to know which questions to ask: <http://cssrs.columbia.edu/wp-content/uploads/Community-Card-2guys.pdf>.
- **Take a training** like Mental Health First Aid, Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST) or Question, Persuade, Refer (QPR) to be able to better identify when youth are struggling with thoughts of suicide.
- **Practice good self-care:** share my coping mechanisms with those around me, tell stories of seeking help and gaining recovery.



- Available to share, also posted recently to our Facebook @KDHEnews.

Contact: Daina Zolck | [Daina.Zolck@ks.gov](mailto:Daina.Zolck@ks.gov)



## Safe Kids Kansas

- October 2 International [Walk to School Day](#) make sure your signed up.
- October 6-12 Fire Prevention Week | [Resources](#)
- October 12 Fire Drill Day, encourage families to test home smoke alarms and family escape plans.
- October 20-27 National Teen Driver Safety Week | [Resources](#)
- October 21-26 School Bus Safety Week | [Resources](#)





## Blue Platoon: A Boot Camp for Male Cancer Survivors

- Event is FREE
- One guest per Survivor
- Information on common after and long-term cancer effects, nutrition, exercise and more...

Friday, November 1, from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Ascension Via Christi, Pittsburg



FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2019  
9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

ASCENSION VIA CHRISTI, PITTSBURG  
1 MOUNT CARMEL WAY ■ PITTSBURG, KANSAS

This **FREE** event for male cancer survivors includes:  
• Updates on common after- and long-term effects of treatment  
• Latest information on nutrition and exercise  
• Lunch and fun prizes

To register, contact Susan Krigel:  
[skrigel@kumc.edu](mailto:skrigel@kumc.edu) ■ 913-945-7534

Register by October 25<sup>th</sup> to receive a free bag filled with take-home items!  
Cancer survivors may bring one guest.



Contact: Susan Krigel | (913) 945-7534 | [Skrigel@kumc.edu](mailto:Skrigel@kumc.edu)



## Asian Wellness Day

- Event is FREE
- Screenings, resources and entertainment

Saturday, October 5, from 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.  
Sedgwick County Extension Education Center, Wichita

Contact: Audrey | (316) 337-6047

Call to register for a Clinical Breast Exam.



**ASIAN WELLNESS DAY**  
19<sup>TH</sup> Annual Community Health Fair

**FREE FLU SHOTS** **Open to The Public**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2019**  
8 am - 1 pm  
Sedgwick County Extension Education Center  
7001 W. 21st Street N. (corner of 21<sup>st</sup> and Ridge Rd.)

**Screenings, Resources & Entertainment**

**FREE**

- Clinical Breast Exam  
For women without health insurance ages 45-64  
Must call to register (316) 337-6047
- Flu Shots
- Bone Density
- Orthopedic Screening
- Dental Screening
- Vision Screening
- HIV Screening
- Tuberculosis Skin Test
- Hearing Test
- and more...

**LIPID (Triglycerides, Cholesterol, HDL \$4), Hemoglobin A1C \$6, Thyroid \$6...**  
8 am – 12 noon  
Services by AMS Lab & results mailing fee \$2  
Must be fasting 12 hours before the test

Bring your family and friends to this annual community event!  
Information: Audrey (316) 337-6047

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